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## New farm bill affects federal support for farmers

The recently passed farm bill reduces spending by an estimated \$23 billion

By JON PARTON  
THE COLLEGIAN

A new farm bill, titled the Agricultural Act of 2014, was signed into law Feb. 7 after more than two years of negotiations in Washington. The bill will remain in effect until 2019, and is expected to cut spending in some agricultural and food policy programs by \$23 billion.

These savings come mostly from spending cuts on commodities, food stamps, nutrition programs, and conservation programs. The nearly 1,000 page bill does increase financing for food banks by \$200 million.

### Cuts to SNAP, direct payments

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, also known as the food stamp program, will have its budget cut by an estimated \$8 billion over the next 10 years. The new bill prevents college students from receiving food stamp benefits.

The new bill also eliminates direct payments, or farm subsidies, to farmers. Instead, it offers crop insurance.

"This is the best they (farmers) could hope for," said Glenn "Art" Barnaby, Jr., professor of agricul-



Cows poke their heads between the gaps in the fences to eat at the K-State Dairy Farm north of campus Feb. 11. President Barack Obama signed a new farm bill into law which affects farmers nationwide, including dairy farmers who will receive insurance to cover costs when feed costs and milk prices become too close.

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tural economics. "They got rid of direct payments. Everything is now tied to some kind of loss."

Direct payments cost about \$5 billion a year and are paid to farmers, sometimes even if they did not grow crops. Barnaby said two new

programs in the bill that replace direct payments, Price Loss Coverage and Agriculture Risk Coverage, will offset some losses if crop prices bottom out.

"They'll have to choose one or the other," Barnaby said. "If they

don't, then they're going to be enrolled in the Price Loss Coverage program by default."

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## Wichita police arrest man for K-State alumnus' death

By KAREN SARITA INGRAM  
THE COLLEGIAN

Antwon Banks, 31, was arrested just after 10 p.m. on Wednesday in connection to the death of K-State alumnus Daniel Flores. Police pulled Banks over in his vehicle and found him with a knife in his belly. It appeared Banks had stabbed himself in an attempted suicide when he believed the police were closing in on him.

According to KAKE, the arrest was made possible by a tip from Crime Stoppers.

According to the Wichita Eagle, Banks is the ex-boyfriend of a woman who worked at Steckline Communications with Flores. Wichita police Lt. Todd Ojile told the Wichita Eagle that Banks did not know Flores, and it appears that Flores could have simply been in the wrong place at the wrong time when he was killed.

Banks will be charged with felony murder once he has been released from the hospital. His condition is unknown at this time.

Funeral arrangements are underway in Flores' hometown of Derby,



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K-State alumnus **Daniel Flores** was found dead at Steckline Communications in Wichita on Monday.

Kan. The visitation is planned for 3-8 p.m. Saturday and 1-5 p.m. Sunday at Smith Mortuary, 1415 N. Rock Road, Derby. The funeral mass will be held at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Mary Faith Center, 2300 E. Meadowlark, Derby. Condolences may be sent online at smithfamilymortuaries.com. There is no memorial service currently planned.

## Alpha Phi Alpha stays active on K-State campus for 38 years

By CHEYANNA COLBORN  
THE COLLEGIAN

Candlelight, pageant, voting, and gold do not seem like words that would typically be related to one another. However, the brothers of K-State's Kappa Tau chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity have felt a connection to the ideals behind those words for decades.

"Ever since Alpha Phi Alpha was chartered to this campus, we have been doing our best to uphold the ideals of our founders," Desmond Weathers, sophomore in computer engineering and vice president of Alpha Phi Alpha, said. "With our aims being mainly deeds scholarship and love for all mankind."

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., the first intercollegiate African-American fraternity, was founded at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y. on Dec. 4, 1906. Seventy years later, on April 15, 1976, the fraternity was established on K-State's campus. Its national mission is to develop leaders, promote brotherhood

and academic excellence, while providing service and advocating their communities.

The K-State chapter has implemented the fraternity's national programs, including A Voteless People is a Hopeless People. The program aims to inform people about the importance of voting in national presidential elections and local election.

Through the program, they registered more than 800 people for voting during the 2012 election season.

"I think Alpha's history on campus has been nothing but positive," Justin Ikerionwu, junior in sociology and member of the fraternity, said. "I feel like it has shown African-Americans can have a great impact on the community and the student body. Alpha does a great job of bringing people together."

### Black and Gold Pageant

Alpha has hosted the Miss Black and Gold Pageant, a scholarship pageant, annually since 1998. Typically, approximately 600 people attend every December. The interest and par-

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## SGA receives update on Manhattan projects, Fake Patty's Day

By MIKE STANTON  
THE COLLEGIAN

The Student Governing Association met Thursday to hear from updates from city commissioner Rick Jankovich on city construction and Fake Patty's Day.

As of Thursday evening, a second set of candidates had declared their campaign for SGA president and vice president.

### Construction, economy

According to Jankovich, the city of Manhattan has around \$225 million worth of construction projects in progress or on the near horizon, including the Bluemont Hotel project and a new residence hall on campus.

He also presented a \$6 million recertification of the city's dykes, which won't begin immediately, but will protect nearly \$300 million worth of property from exposure to flood plain.

After what he described as a "pretty peaceful" holiday last year, Jankovich said the city doesn't foresee any changes to the implementation of Fake Patty's Day, which falls on March 8. As in years past, outside agencies will be brought in to beef-up law enforcement.

"Be careful, use good judgement and if you see someone that needs help getting home, do what you can to get them there," Jankovich said. "Other than that, enjoy."

Jankovich estimated that Manhattan's new KFC location is about 30 days from completion, with a Taco John's "a bit further back." He also hinted to pay attention to the old K-Mart location on Poyntz Avenue. Although he said nothing is certain yet, he said his "intel" suggests that a business currently considering moving in "would make everyone really happy."

### Election season

The deadline to file for Student Government elections is Friday at 4 p.m. For more information on how to file, visit the SGA section of K-State's website.

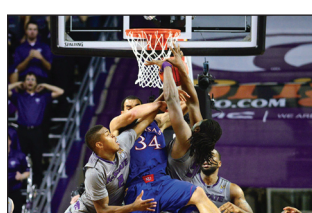
Another election platform has surfaced to challenge Reagan Kays and Cody Kennedy for student body president and vice president. Jarrett Romine, sophomore in biology, and Alan "AJ" Davis, sophomore in finance, declared their candidacy on Twitter this week.

The primary elections for president and vice president are on Feb. 25.

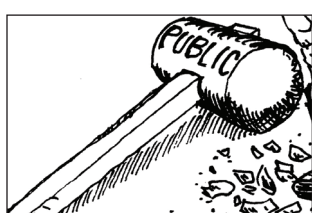
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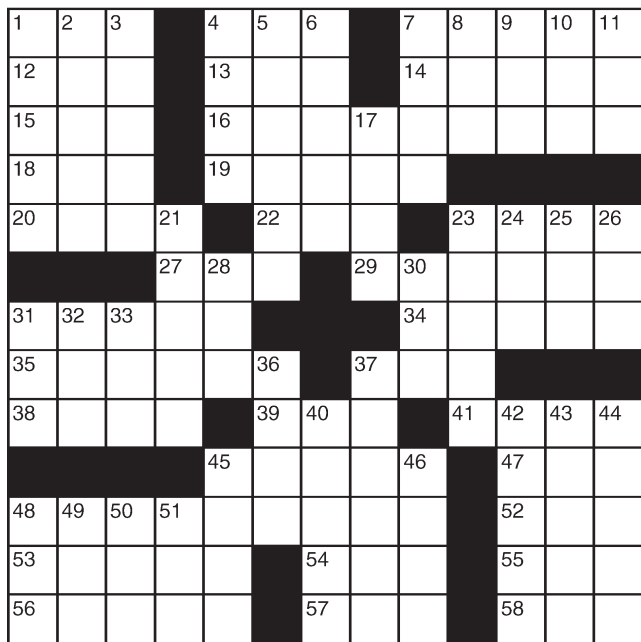
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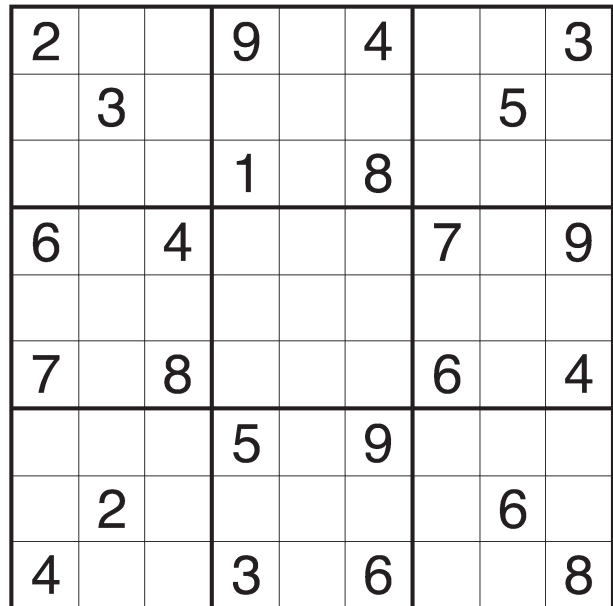
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Friday, Feb. 14

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# Wildcats need road win in Waco against Bears

By JOHN ZETMEIR  
THE COLLEGIAN

The K-State Wildcats have had their ups and downs this season. Their ups have been at home while their downs have been on the road. K-State is undefeated at home in Big 12 play in Bramlage Coliseum so far this season. Head coach Bruce Weber's team has a chance to get an illusive road win this Saturday as they travel to Waco, Texas to take on the Baylor Bears.

K-State (17-7, 7-4 Big 12) have been red-hot as of late. Over the three-day stretch from Saturday to Monday, the Wildcats defeated two top-15 teams in No. 15 Texas and No. 7 Kansas. This came after dropping three of their previous four games. The difference for the Wildcats now is that they will be tested away from a purple friendly environment.

"It takes a different type of energy," senior forward Shane Southwell said. "If you're at 100 at home, you have to be at 120 on the road. You've got to be so much more hyped then you were for any other home game. You also have to be a lot smarter."

The last time the Wildcats won on the road was on Jan. 7 when they beat the TCU Horned Frogs 65-47. Seeing as the Horned Frogs have not won a Big 12 game yet this season, that is not exactly the road win that the Wildcats can rest their heads on.

"It's been really frustrating be-

cause sometimes we play bad in the first half or not as well as we should in the first half," senior guard Omari Lawrence said. "Then in the second half we get going but it's too late and the other team is in their groove."

Against Texas, West Virginia and Iowa State the Wildcats trailed at the end of the first half. In all three games, the Wildcats clawed back to tie up the game and even saw themselves have a chance in the closing moments. However, K-State dropped all three games. The Wildcats are just 1-4 on the road so far in Big 12 play.

"Early on it was kind of tough, playing all my games either neutral or at Bramlage so it was kind of hard, but now i'm getting the swing of things," freshman guard Marcus Foster said.

Foster has been leading the Wildcats in scoring all season, but in the month of February, the freshman has taken his game to the next level. In the past three games, Foster is averaging just over 25 points per game. Even though he might be the one capturing headlines, the entire team has continued to get better together.

"Right now all the pieces are coming together," Foster said. "This is a perfect time for it to come together with the end of Big 12 and come conference tournament and NCAA tournament."

The Baylor Bears (15-9, 3-8 Big 12) have been one of the biggest disappointments of the Big 12 season so far. The Bears entered Big 12 play ranked the No. 7 team in the country and now sit at the bottom of



PARKER ROBB | THE COLLEGIAN

Freshman guard **Marcus Foster** and sophomore forward **D.J. Johnson** get tangled up with Kansas sophomore forward **Perry Ellis** as all three go for a rebound in the waning minutes of K-State's 85-82 upset victory over the No. 7 Jayhawks Monday in Bramlage Coliseum.

the conference standings, just ahead of TCU. The Bears have lost seven of their last nine games entering Saturday's game. Despite Baylor's record, their size on the inside could disrupt the Wildcats. This game

could be just what the Wildcats need to get rolling on the road.

"I think if we win this game Saturday and we get over the hump with a road victory, we could get on roll and start winning some more

games on the road and just build our resume for the tournament," Lawrence said.

The game is scheduled for 6 p.m. from the Ferrell Center in Waco.

## Women's basketball looks to nab 10th season win against Texas Tech



By EMILIO RIVERA  
THE COLLEGIAN

In their annual Play 4Kay Game — a game that honors longtime North Carolina State women's basketball coach Kay Yow, who died of breast cancer in 2009 — the K-State women's basketball team will try to avoid their second four-game losing streak of the season with a win over Texas Tech Saturday in Bramlage Coliseum.

The Red Raiders (6-18, 0-13 Big 12) are still looking for their first win in Big 12 play. They've only lost two conference games by less than double digits, including a 72-65 loss to the Wildcats in Lub-

bock on Jan. 14.

After getting routed by 40 points in Morgantown, W.Va. against West Virginia, the Wildcats dropped a close one to Texas Wednesday, 69-63.

K-State head coach Deb Patterson and her young team are taking what they learned in the game against the Longhorns and getting focused on the next game.

"I'm looking for the next game," senior forward Katya Leick said after the game against Texas. "I'm looking to compete and I'm looking to get a win. I think that's a mindset that you need to have as a team and as a whole."

This game will feature the fourth-ranked scorer in the Big 12 in Texas Tech junior guard

CHANDLER RILEY | THE COLLEGIAN

Women's basketball head coach **Deb Patterson** looks on as her team struggles against the Texas Longhorns Wednesday night in Bramlage Coliseum. The Wildcats currently sit at ninth in the conference standings, ahead of only Texas Tech, and are looking for their 10th win of the season Saturday over the Red Raiders.

Amber Battle, who averages 17.7 points per game. The Wildcats will need to prepare to guard her around the arc and in the paint because Battle is averaging a team-high 7.7 rebounds per game. Battle is a crucial matchup for the Wildcats, and pressuring her early will be key. No other Red Raider averages double-digit scoring, and Battle commits an average of 3.3 turnovers per game.

Staying proficient from behind the arc will be crucial for the Wildcats against a Red Raider team that is ranked 329th out of 343 teams in the NCAA at guarding the long range shot. The Wildcats are ranked third in the conference with 6.4 3-point baskets per game.

The duo of freshman guard Leticia Romero and junior guard Ashia Woods will need to keep to their scoring ways to stop the upset-minded Red Raiders. Romero is look-

ing to come back from her 2-10 shooting performance from the field against Texas and get back to her 14.2 scoring average. Woods is looking to stay hot after a 15-point performance against the Longhorns.

It's important that the Wildcats don't underestimate Texas Tech. K-State and the Red Raiders are ranked ninth and 10th, respectively, in most statistics within the conference, including scoring offense, scoring defense, assist-to-turnover ratio and scoring margin. These statistics show the similarities between the teams and the possibility of the Red Raiders pulling an upset.

The Wildcats will need Romero, Woods and Leick to remain consistent throughout the game and hold back the upset-minded Red Raiders in Bramlage. Look for a close game won by the team that better executes their game plan. Tipoff is set for 2 p.m on Saturday.

## K-State equestrian competes against Oklahoma State in Big 12 showdown

By MARK VACA  
THE COLLEGIAN

The No. 4 K-State equestrian team will head to Stillwater, Okla. to take on Big 12 rival No. 7 Oklahoma State this weekend. The Wildcats are coming off a spring season opening victory over South Dakota State, 10-9.

The Wildcats will send four riders to participate in both Equitation Over Fenc-

es and Equitation on the Flat, including senior captain Rachel Webster. Competing for the Western team will be the same riders that did two weeks ago against South Dakota State. Those riders will be fellow senior Cat Avolesse, junior Madison Wayda and freshman Henley Adkins.

During the fall season, the Wildcats defeated the Cowboys 11-9.

"This is a huge weekend for us and the last regular season road meet we have

this year," said head coach Casie Maxwell, according to K-State Sports. "We have been focusing on taking things one day at a time and one competition at a time and our team is really responding well. OSU has a great team with a lot of depth, so to beat them at their place we are really going to need to bring our A-game."

The Wildcats will make their spring season home debut on Feb. 28, when they face off against the No. 2 Baylor Bears.

## Track and field will face tough competition at Iowa State Classic

By BRANDON PAINTER  
THE COLLEGIAN

K-State track and field will be traveling to Ames, Iowa this weekend for the second time this season to compete in the Iowa State Classic. Competition is slat-

ed to be tough, as the Wildcats take on a total of 100 All-Americans spanning across 16 conferences. The Wildcats are the only team with men and women's squads in the top 3 U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association Regional rankings.

Overall, the Wildcats

will look to continue their hot streak during this indoor season, but senior Erica Twiss is looking to maintain a phenomenal streak. Twiss has set a personal best in every single meet she has competed in this season. She holds three individual event spots on the Division I top 25 and one within the 4x400 team.

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## New discriminatory bill bad for business, taxpayers

By JON PARTON  
THE COLLEGIAN

It seems like the only time Kansas makes national headlines is when there's a tornado or when lawmakers in Topeka pass a ridiculous bill. And it has happened again.

House Bill 2453 recently passed in the Kansas House. The bill would allow private businesses and government employees to legally deny service to same-sex couples if "it would be contrary to their sincerely held religious beliefs."

The bill also states that those businesses and employees cannot be sued for refusing service. Rather than comment on the moral issues this bill represents, it might be more productive to understand what this bill is, why it's bad for business and why it won't legally hold up in the court system.

This bill applies to business-

es and government agencies of all kinds. Clothing stores, park services, state hospitals and even employees of the Department of Motorized Vehicles can deny a gay couple service.

To understand why the bill was passed, look to Oklahoma and Utah. Federal judges in both states ruled their same-sex marriage bans as unconstitutional. Socially conservative lawmakers in Topeka saw the writing on the wall and decided to pass this bill in order to preempt future rulings on the same-sex marriage ban in Kansas. Quite simply, it will allow state workers to deny same-sex marriage licenses in the future.

A large part of the problem with this bill is that it creates legal issues for business owners where there were none before. Suppose a business owner proudly serves everyone in the community, but has an employee that refuses to give service to a gay couple. Can the business owner fire that employee for harming

his business? Can the employee sue for wrongful termination due to religious discrimination? How much risk will this bill create? These questions have to be asked by business owners.

Successful businesses know how to separate social policy from profit. Even fast food chain Chik-Fil-A, a company that supports same-sex marriage bans, does not refuse to serve gay couples.

As for the legal side of the bill, the Supreme Court made a ruling last June that effectively opened the door to same-sex marriages. Today, 17 states and the District of Columbia recognize the right of same-sex marriage and that number is increasing. A Gallup poll conducted last year found that 54 percent of Americans think same-sex marriages should be granted the same rights and privileges as traditional marriages. This is what scares social conservative politicians in Topeka. This is what drove them to write such

fearful legislation.

Besides the issue of same-sex marriage, the Supreme Court made a relevant ruling in the case of *Romer v. Evans* in 1996. At issue was a Colorado amendment to its state constitution that would have prevented local lawmakers to recognize lesbian and gay people as a protected class. The Supreme Court ruled 6-3 that the amendment was unconstitutional.

In the court's decision, Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote, "It is a fair, if not necessary, inference from the broad language of the amendment that it deprives gays and lesbians even of the protection of general laws and policies that prohibit arbitrary discrimination in governmental and private settings."

The Equal Protection Clause, located in the 14th Amendment of the Constitution, reads that no state may, "deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

The bill still needs to pass

through the Kansas Senate before its signed by the governor and takes effect. If it does, the court challenges will begin shortly thereafter. When that happens, all the money the state will spend to defend the law and ultimately lose will be paid by us, the taxpayers. Millions of dollars will be wasted on a bill that doesn't hold up to legal scrutiny.

It's my sincere hope that this bill will not be signed into law. We don't have to make an issue out of something so obviously detrimental to our state and businesses.

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## Relationship between weight loss, media scrutiny are two-fold for women



JAKKI THOMPSON  
THE COLLEGIAN

There has been an emerging discussion surrounding Rachel Frederickson, the season 15 winner of NBC's "The Biggest Loser." Throughout her 7 1/2 month journey, from the first weigh-in to revealing her weight loss on the show's finale, she has been scrutinized, critiqued and criticized.

Debating on the show, she was deemed "too big" based on societal standards of how women should appear – which is heavily influenced on the images presented from the media. She weighed in at 260 pounds at 5' 4".

Throughout her journey on the Biggest Loser, she was pushed to be thinner, to be more fit, to look better. But when she debuted her 105 pound self on the season finale, she was critiqued as being "too thin" and "unhealthy."

Therein lies the problem. Women in the United States are taught through contemporary media, and socialized to believe that their self worth lies in how thin they are. In a study conducted by Gayle R. Bessenoff in October 2006, "Exposure To 'Thin-Idea' Media Affecting Women's

Standards Of Body Image," published in the *Psychology of Women Quarterly*, young women were asked about their reactions to viewing ultra-thin women in the media.

"Female undergraduates who viewed advertisements displaying ultra-thin women exhibited increases in body dissatisfaction, negative mood, levels of depression and lowered self-esteem," read a summary of the study printed in an article from *Medical News Today* from Oct. 31, 2006.

"The study shows that women who possess these body image concerns are twice as likely to compare their own bodies to those of the thin models in the advertisements. They are also more likely to have those comparisons affect their self-worth, leading to feelings of depression, body dissatisfaction and preoccupation with diet and exercise."

Though "The Biggest Loser" may seem to have good intentions, it is finales like its most recent one that personify the bigger issue with women in the media. Women are scrutinized, critiqued and examined no matter how they look – over or underweight.

The beauty ideal created by the media is, in all actuality, a beauty myth. It is a facade of how women are "supposed" to look through presenting images and messages that are downright fake or are significantly altered to the point where the finished product looks nothing like the original.

These altered and fake images are not the only issues facing women in the media,

but is the big issue when it comes to the discussion surrounding Frederickson.

The Representation Project created the popular YouTube video, "How The Media Failed Women in 2013," which looks at how women were presented in the media. The Representation Project is, "a movement that uses film and media content to expose injustices created by gender stereotypes and to shift people's consciousness towards change."

The 3 1/2 minute long video shows ways that women have moved forward in the way they were presented in media. Examples include Malala Yousafzai making *Time* magazines' list of the 100 most influential people in the world and "Catching Fire" breaking records in the box office with a female lead character.

But that is just the first 30 seconds. The video's following three minutes show the hyper-sexualized, misogynistic, ultra-thin, photoshopped women that are presented to the general public through the media. These images are distributed in mass, and carry messages that perpetuate the "thin ideal" stereotype. These images are seen on every billboard, commercial, print advertisement, Hollywood film and television show.

What else was Frederickson supposed to aim for when on a weight loss show? She has been socialized to believe that she was not worth anything while she was "bigger." Now, she is criticized for being "too thin." But the bigger



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concern is how our society presents women in the media and where their self-worth is being placed.

Frederickson said that she wanted to lose weight for a healthier lifestyle. After the finale, she did acknowledge that she may have taken her post-show training too far. According to an article from *People* magazine by Michelle Tauber on Feb. 12, Frederickson said, "maybe I was a little too enthusiastic in my training to get to the finale." She said she stuck to the 1600 calories-per-day diet she was allotted while on the show, and worked out up to six hours a day.

That is not nearly enough calorie intake for the amount

of exercise she was outputting. Most people should agree with that. But, how else was she supposed to be as thin as other women around her? That is the problem. When women continue to be told they are never good enough, pretty enough or thin enough, they will go to extremes to achieve what they believe to be beautiful.

As we move forward in the discussion surrounding the weight-loss of Frederickson, it could be about the measures took to lose weight. However, maybe it should focus more on why she lost more than 60 percent of her original weight.

These issues are nothing new to many young women. What is new is that Frederickson lost her weight essentially

in the public's eye, making her the target. Through critically examining the discussions surrounding extreme weight loss of women and why it continues to happen, change may come in how women are presented in the media.

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Q: "What is your dream career and why?"



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CAROLINE DEATS  
JUNIOR,  
INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING

"Probably something with cancer research, because there are so many cures out there already, but it's just not readily in supply and so many people are suffering for it already."



STACEY BEHNKE  
FRESHMAN,  
BUSINESS

"To be a math teacher, because I like to help kids and I love math too."



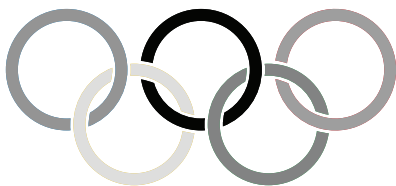
EMILIE PATTERSON  
SENIOR, FOOD SCIENCE  
AND INDUSTRY

"That's like the worst question ever right now, because I'm a senior in food science, so there is no direct plan right now. I would say working for a good company in research and development and developing new products for customers."



# XXII Winter Olympics

Sochi 2014 Events Calendar



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**9-11:00 a.m.** Figure Skating (Men's Free Skate, Groups 1 and 2)

**11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.** Figure Skating (Men's Free Skate, Groups 3 and 4), NBC Sports

**11 a.m. to 2 p.m.** Hockey: Canada vs. Austria, USA

**11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.** Hockey: Norway vs. Finland, MSNBC

**1:15-2 p.m.** Ski Jumping (Men's Individual Large Hill), NBC Sports

**2-4 p.m.** Biathlon (Women's 15km Individual), Freestyle Skiing (Women's Aerials), KSNT

**2-4 p.m.** Hockey: replay from earlier (Encore), NBC Sports

**4-6 p.m.** Hockey: replay from earlier (Game of the Day), NBC Sports

**4-7 p.m.** Curling: USA vs. Russia, CNBC

**7-10:30 p.m.** Alpine Skiing (Men's Super-Combined), Freestyle Skiing (Women's Aerials), Skeleton (Women's Runs 3 and 4), Figure Skating (Men's Free Skate), KSNT

**11 p.m. to midnight** Ski Jumping (Men's Individual Large Hill), Skeleton (Men's), KSNT

## Saturday, Feb. 15

**Midnight to 3:30 a.m.** Alpine skiing (Men's Super-Combined), Freestyle Skiing (Women's Aerials), Skeleton (Women's Runs 3 and 4), Figure Skating (Men's Free Skate), KSNT

**2-4:30 a.m.** Hockey (Men's): Slovakia vs. Slovenia, NBC Sports

**2-4:30 a.m.** Hockey (Women's): Quarterfinals, teams TBD, MSNBC

**4:30-6 a.m.** Cross-Country (Women's Relay), NBC Sports

**4:30-6 a.m.** Curling (Women's): Canada vs. Japan, MSNBC

**6-9 a.m.** Hockey (Men's): USA vs. Russia, NBC Sports

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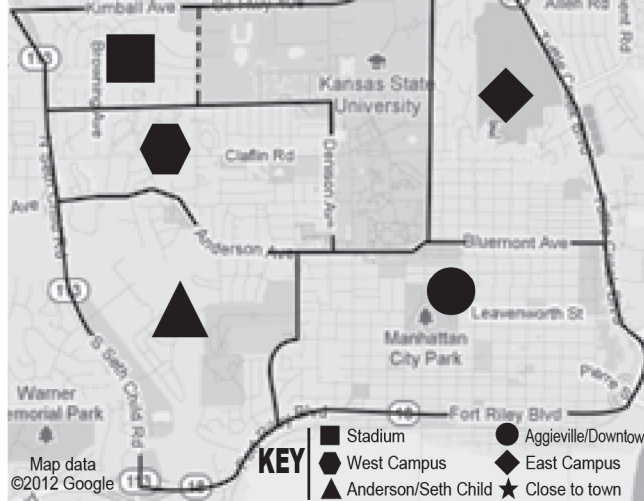
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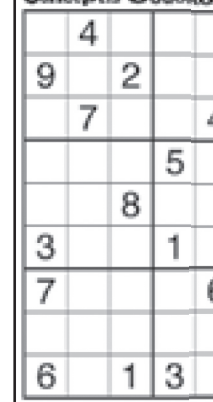
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# Defining, attaining your dream job requires passion, personal sacrifice

BY CHARLIE KING-HAGEN  
THE COLLEGIAN

There can be many complexities behind the pursuit of the “ideal career.” The idea, after all, is that there is one occupation that falls above all of the others for every person.

What defines a person’s “dream job?” The aspired career might be one that is acted out in a backyard by a 10-year-old lifting off in a treehouse “spaceship” or making Nerf Ball touchdowns.

“If you want to talk about a childhood dream job, I would have been a rock star,” Greg Janssen, senior in journalism, said. “I would have been out touring, playing shows and writing music.”

## Dream balance

For Trevor Barnes, senior in management information systems, a perfect career must strike

a balance between security, passion and a hobby.

“I define a dream job as being something that I passionately enjoy doing,” Barnes said. “There has to be an unending zeal. It must be something that you don’t burn out of. Something that, as you continue to do it, your enjoyment of doing it grows.”

Barnes said he plans to pursue full-time mission work after he graduates. He said he would enjoy a situation in which he was working with a team of missionaries in foreign countries, while also being able to provide his team with technological support.

Barnes, who first dreamt of being a technology and video game journalist growing up, said that although people’s ideal method pursuit or career activity does change, the attractions that they look for in careers do not; he’s still interested in technology, just in a different professional avenue, he said.

For Janssen, who works for

K-State HD heading up team videography for the women’s basketball team, the concept of a dream job has changed over the years. He said that getting an education and experience at K-State has led him to transition his idea of a “dream job” from hobbies to practical skills he enjoys.

“I grew up watching the (Kansas City) Royals,” Janssen said. “(Shooting instant replay) is something that I want and is something that I think I can do, whereas music was a little further out there. Once I found more of what I was good at, then I found the dream job of what I was good at.”

## Potential sacrifices

Pursuing a dream job can come at the cost of job security; it’s an important balance, Barnes said.

“I think that a number of people have sacrificed their dream job for security,” Barnes said. “I think people are so wor-

ried about meeting their personal standard of living that they are afraid to take a risk.”

Values play an important role in balancing the pursuit of a dream job and job security, according to Janssen.

“I think I had more values instilled in me that getting a college degree and getting a stable job were more important than literally doing anything I wanted,” Janssen said. “Obviously, I didn’t attain that childhood job, but I don’t regret it now. I rarely enjoyed playing music as much as I enjoy what I’m doing now.”

## Negative connotation

The words “dream job” don’t always bring positive thoughts for Cara Hillstock, junior in English.

“When I first hear the word ‘dream job,’ I think that I don’t want that,” Hillstock said. “To me, a dream job means that (there is) one career that you go

into, and then follow for the rest of your life. You have this big passion for it, but you are trapped within it.”

Instead, Hillstock said she would rather keep her options open. She has already begun to use her college education as a means to follow multiple potential career paths, she said. She writes fiction, has performed in various theater productions in Manhattan, and is currently working as a copy writer, writing and editing scripts and plot content for video games.

“If I were to actually use my degree for anything, it would be to get an editing job,” Hillstock said. “But that’s approaching it in a qualifying sense. I don’t want to just work one job. That would probably kill me.”

Hillstock said she thinks there are strict notions about what makes a good career path and what does not.

“There’s such a strict notion of what you ‘should’ be doing,”

Hillstock said. “(You) don’t know what to major in, so (you) say, ‘I’m never going to have a good job. I’m never going to be happy. I’m never going to be affluent in all of these things.’ It’s so easy to get caught in that trap, but there is only so much you can do.”

Hillstock said she feels that when people think about their dream jobs, they think that one career path is the only meaningful goal in life. She doesn’t, and never wants to, feel that way about her career.

## Passion

Even though he’s changed his idea of a “dream job” since childhood, Barnes said he has faith in the potential for students to someday reach their dream careers, whatever they are.

“I think that if someone is truly passionate and pursues it hard enough, anyone can succeed in what they’re passionate about,” he said.

# Alcohol-free activities can be found all over campus, Manhattan community

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For more than a century, Aggieville has served as an entertainment and social hub for Manhattan and many K-State students. While the district caters to a mostly 21-and-over crowd, especially on the weekends, Manhattan and K-State offer options for underage students or those looking for fun without alcohol.

## UPC events

The Union Program Council plans weekly events for students throughout the school year. They feature a movie each weekend in Forum Hall in the K-State Stu-

dent Union, often showing movies just out of traditional theaters.

The student organizations also hosts weekend activities on campus as part of the K-State After Hours program, including bowling and ice skating.

“UPC plans a wide variety of events in order to be as inclusive as possible to our diverse and ever-growing student body,” John Seitz, music co-chair of UPC and junior in life sciences, said. “In particular, we aim to give students activities to enjoy over weekends to give them an alternative over other weekend festivities.”

UPC events will host a throwback physical education class on Feb. 21, Dancing with the K-State Stars on

Feb. 25, and Minute to Win It Super Hero Edition on Feb. 28.

## Out and about

Wildcat Park, located three miles west of Manhattan at 2001 W 62nd Avenue, features tables and fire rings for bonfires.

“You can get out of the city and enjoy nature and hang out with your friends,” Caroline Greenlee, sophomore in business administration, said.

The park is maintained as a wilderness area; motor vehicles aren’t allowed in the park except for handicap access. Nearby parking is available.

Located just outside Manhattan, the Konza Prairie provides hiking trails varying

between 2 1/2 to six miles. The trails are open from sunrise to sunset daily. The facility is free, although a free will \$2 donation is requested to help with trail maintenance.

“Konza Prairie represents one of the largest tracts of unplowed tall grass prairie in the nation,” Jill Haukos, director of environmental education for Konza Prairie Biological Station, said in an email. “With less than 4 percent of the original tall grass prairie remaining, the fact that we have this jewel in our backyard is amazing.”

The Konza Prairie is a way to “step back in time.”

“We provide a place for visitors and inhabitants of the Flint Hills to experience a tall grass prairie the way

it appeared 200 years ago,” Haukos said.

The K-State Challenge Course offers team-building exercises outside on high and low equipment. Activities encourage goal setting, cooperation and communication by pushing groups into trying situations. Appointments can be set up through K-State’s Recreation Services.

## Get fit

The K-State’s Chester E. Peters Recreation Complex offers more than exercise equipment for students and residents.

The rock climbing wall is open daily. Orientation and belay classes are offered Sunday through Friday at 7 p.m. Organized, free classes are available on topics such

as “rise and shine yoga” and Zumba.

“There’s something for everyone at the Rec,” Abby Holmes, sophomore in athletic training, said. “Whether you like to work out on your own, do group fitness with your friends or play a pick up game of basketball, there’s always something to do at the Rec.”

K-State’s Natatorium, located next to Ahearn Field House, is available for students and residents. It has an eight-lane lap pool, and a recreational pool. They also offer aqua aerobics classes.

“My friends and I do Insanity in the mornings,” Romy Sagen, junior in kinesiology, said. “It’s a nice way to wake up and get a jump start on your day.”

# ALPHA | Alpha Phi Alpha men look to make positive impact on community

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The interest and participation in the pageant has increased over the years, members said.

Each year, the Alpha’s name three winners in the pageant: Miss Black and Gold, Miss Black and Miss Gold. Judges select winners based on how they compete in events such as talent, business wear, swimsuit wear and evening wear competitions, as well as a question-and-answer session.

This year, Miss Black and Gold was Chandrika Brewton, senior in sociology.

“The pageant was great for me because it definitely pushed me out of my comfort zone,” Brewton said. “I’m not a good public speaker and usually get anxious with being in front of people, so to participate in this pageant in front of hundreds of people, was out of the norm for me.” The preparation for the pageant is also beneficial, Brewton said.

“I also learned how to manage time. We had practice three to four times a week for at least four hours each,” Brewton said. “That, on top of school and work, definitely made organizing and prioritizing key factors of my life.”

Brewton said she appreciates the impact the Alpha fraternity has had on her college experience.

“The men of Alpha Phi Alpha are major impacts on this campus,” Brewton said. “From their traditional programs such as the Martin Luther King Jr. week dedications, to their push on registering to vote, and even their involvement in high positions of organizations outside of their fraternity, these men are always striving for excellence and looking to impact the community in a positive way.”

## Proud legacy

The chapter also holds their annual Martin Luther King Jr. Candlelight Vigil; King was a member of Alpha Phi Alpha in the 1950s while at Boston University.

“We are definitely proud of his legacy and almost every (year) since we were chartered to this university, we have held this candlelight vigil in honor of him,” Weathers said. “Each year, we bring in a speaker to talk to us about the power of a dream.”

This year, the vigil was held on Jan. 29. The Alphas brought in Wintley Phipps, a singer, pastor, father and lecturer for the ceremony



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Contestants in the 2013 Miss Black and Gold Pageant await the announcement of the winners of each category, as well as first and second runner up and the overall winner Dec. 7, 2013. K-State’s Kappa Tau chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha brings people together through events such as the Black and Gold Pageant, the Voteless People is a Hopeless People program informing people of the importance of voting, and the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. candlelight vigil.

this year. Phipps has sung for presidents Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan, George H.W. Bush, Bill Clinton,

George Bush and Barack Obama.

“We enjoyed hearing his powerful words and voice

this year,” Weathers said.

The vigil is his highlight for the year, Ikerionwu said. “My favorite program is

the vigil,” he said. “It is a great time to honor the legacy of brother, Martin Luther King Jr.”

# BILL | Farm bill long time coming says Riley County Farm Bureau policy chair

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Under the PLC, farmers will receive assistance if crop prices drop below a target price set by the United States Department of Agriculture.

The Agriculture Risk Coverage program will cover what farmers lose before crop insurance takes effect. Regardless of which program farmers decide upon, Barnaby said he has one piece of advice for them.

“Start getting your records together and update your information,” Barnaby said.

Also included in the bill is an implementation of an agricultural disaster program, which will assist farmers if they “have incurred livestock death losses in excess of the normal mortality.” A winter storm in Oct. 2013 killed more than 20,000 livestock in Nebraska and the Dakotas, costing cattle farmers millions.

In this case, according to the program, the Secretary of Agriculture would approve making “livestock indemnity payments” to eligible farmers at a rate of 75 percent to ease the burdens

caused by circumstances outside their control.

The bill also changes dairy subsidy programs. Instead of paying dairy farmers when milk falls below a certain price, a new insurance program looks at the price difference between feed prices and milk prices.

## Not all in support

U.S. Rep. Mike Pompeo, R-Wichita, voted against the bill, as did the other three Kansas congresspeople in the House.

“There were half a dozen differences between the bill that

was passed (and previous bills),” Pompeo said, explaining why he voted against it.

According to Pompeo, the nutrition bill was originally separate from the farm bill.

“I supported the earlier nutrition bill,” Pompeo said. “It provided real reforms to how food stamp programs worked and made sure people on those programs went to work.”

Pompeo also said he thinks the new farm bill doesn’t go far enough to help cattle farmers in Kansas.

“The cattle folks are hurt,”

Pompeo said. “This bill makes it harder for them to do business.”

One issue that may impact ranchers is a failed effort to repeal the Country-of-Origin Labeling requirements. That law requires meat products to include a label that identifies the national origin of the product. Livestock groups like the National Cattle-men’s Beef Association say such rules only add costs to farmers.

## ‘It’s important’

A new farm bill has been a long time coming, said Ron Wilson, public policy chair for the

Riley County Farm Bureau.

“It’s important for the rural farmers to have a farm bill,” Wilson said. “Farmers have to deal with a lot of variables, so predictability is very important.”

Although the bill is known as a farm bill, 80 percent of the funding goes to food stamps and food assistance. The new bill features other smaller provisions, including financial incentives for farmers who are just starting.

“There’s so few farmers left in the country,” Wilson said. “They package food stamps with the farm bill to get rural votes.”

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